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(Paragraphs 1 and 2: date acquired 17 August 1951)

1. TSUJI Masanobu has become a tool of rightist MIURA Gichi, under whose patronage and manipulation he is spreading falsehoods throughout Japan and bolstering the reararmament movement. TSUJI's recent comparison of U.S.-Soviet strength\* is strongly colored by information from former Kwantung Army documents.

2. TSUJI actually advocates reararmament, but his reararmament proposals call for self-defense based on Japan's own strength. His real motive is to preach anti-rearmament while hurrying to form alliances with his ex-comrades throughout Japan. He intends to go over to the Soviets after the peace treaty and assume the role of a "bridge of reconciliation" between the United States and the USSR.

(Paragraph 3: date acquired 10 August 1951)

3. There is a group firmly rooted in the former members of the Second Section, Army General Staff, which concurs with TSUJI's belief that the Soviet camp would emerge victorious from a Third World War. They are convinced that the Soviet Eastern European bloc would defeat the American Western European camp. This conclusion has been arrived at after study of the respective productive capacities, mobilization capacities, transportation facilities, etc.\*\*

Field Comments:

\* See ZJL-670.

\*\* According to the MIS Summary #3251, 4 August 1951, and the Japanese press, TSUJI was indicted on 1 August by the Attorney-General's Office for violation of the purge ordinance by his now-famous speech. [ ] in a report received 10 August 1951, states that Japanese government action was based on a GHQ request.

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